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ITCHY SEASON STARTS FOR COACHES

— Andrew Dettre

The annual tribal wandering of PSL coaches among clubs and even cities is due to start soon.

Rumors are rife within clubs though both officials and the coaches themselves usually issue poker-faced denials.

Gerry Chaldi, recently ousted by West Adelaide, has been "romantically linked" with Newcastle whose own Alan Vest seems certain to land in Wollongong.

Adelaide City's Rale Rasic is reportedly keen to return to Sydney and Leichhardt have been mentioned as his next possible stop-over, despite president Nick Papallo's "over my dead body" denials.

But one has also heard stories about Rasic going to Canberra to replace caretaker coach John Brown.

Raul Blanco, who was handed a "subject to relegation" dismissal notice early July by the Saints, has been mentioned as another possible Leichhardt supremo where, it seems, Willie Wallace's reign is over.

Frank Arok is odds on to return to St. George in December — even if the team is relegated.

Blacktown's Mick Jones may move, too: his contract — and not a terribly lucrative one by PSL standards — expires shortly. Perhaps Newcastle would be the ideal for the usually successful Jones.

Brisbane City are looking for a more permanent solution to their perennial coaching crisis; at present George Potter is the temporary player-coach.

Perhaps he will retire from playing and concentrate on coaching next term.

West Adelaide, in their post-Chaldi era, have no coach at all, merely a panel of "senior players" with the not too forceful characters of Crook and McGregor in charge.

Westad is one of the traditional hot seats for coaches: they sacked two, Mike Johnson and Jim Adam at the height of success then had the trauma of a senior player knocking down a leading official over some coaching dispute.

Len McKendry of Heidelberg, Matt Carson of Lions, John Margaritis of South Melbourne, Les Scheinflug of Marconi and Eddie Thomson of Sydney City are the only ones who appear safe and secure.

"Get me the psychiatrist. I've got a nut who wants to be a football manager"

Appearances are misleading: Blacktown's Jimmy Izatt (right) actually kicked the ball, not John Spanos' backside in this episode from Sunday's game.

PLAYERS FACE ARREST

Several arrests are likely as a sequel to the brutal bashing of a referee and three officials at an all-age amateur match at — of all places — Punchbowl Park.

Referee Des Brown was allegedly attacked by several Marrickville players during the match against Lakemba.

Brown had sent off a Marrickville player and was about to send off the second one when he was attacked.

Canterbury Association officials Ian Holmes, Graeme Nielson and Bruce Turpin, who rushed to Brown's aid, were bashed and kicked: all suffered severe facial injuries.

Holmes, who is secretary of the Canterbury District Association, said the Marrickville club was co-operating with police to find the attackers.

The club has withdrawn its all-age team from the third grade competition.

PSL FINAL

The PSL Top Four Championship Grand Final will be held on Sunday, October 26 at the Bruce Stadium in Canberra — irrespective of who the two finalists are.

The match will be part of various activities to celebrate the Australian soccer Centenary.

The Australian Soccer Federation Marketing Organisation will work in close liaison with Canberra City club and others in the planning of the 1980 Grand Final carnival.

A number of pre-match activities are under consideration as well as national television coverage of the entire afternoon.

PHILIPS LEAGUE TABLE

	AGGREGATE P	W	D	L	F	A	±	P	HOME P	W	D	L	F	A	P	AWAY P	W	D	L	F	A	P
1 (1) SYDNEY CITY	20	13	3	4	38	17	+21	29	10	7	2	1	24	9	16	10	6	1	3	14	8	13
2 (2) HEIDELBERG	19	11	4	4	41	23	+18	26	10	8	1	1	31	11	17	9	3	3	3	10	12	9
3 (5) MARCONI	20	11	4	5	41	24	+17	26	11	7	3	1	28	10	17	9	4	1	4	13	14	9
4 (3) SOUTH MELBOURNE	20	11	3	6	32	19	+13	25	10	6	3	1	20	9	15	10	5	—	5	12	10	10
5 (4) ADELAIDE CITY	20	10	3	7	34	22	+12	23	10	6	3	1	18	6	15	10	4	—	6	16	16	8
6 (6) BRISBANE LIONS	19	6	9	4	24	21	+ 3	21	9	4	3	2	10	7	11	10	2	6	2	14	14	10
7 (7) NEWCASTLE	20	8	5	7	19	23	– 4	21	11	5	3	3	9	10	13	9	3	2	4	10	13	8
8 (9) FOOTSCRAY	20	6	7	7	27	31	– 4	19	10	5	1	4	17	16	11	10	1	6	3	10	15	8
9 (8) CANBERRA	20	7	4	9	29	24	+ 5	18	10	3	2	5	13	14	8	10	4	2	4	16	10	10
10(10) BRISBANE CITY	20	4	8	8	24	27	– 3	16	10	4	2	4	15	9	10	10	—	6	4	9	18	6
11(11) LEICHHARDT	20	7	2	11	21	30	– 9	16	9	5	2	2	11	11	12	11	2	—	9	10	19	4
12(12) BLACKTOWN	20	6	2	12	26	48	–22	14	9	5	1	3	19	13	11	11	1	1	9	7	35	3
13(13) WEST ADELAIDE	20	5	2	13	17	39	–22	12	10	5	2	3	10	12	12	10	—	—	10	7	27	—
14(14) ST.GEORGE	20	4	4	12	23	48	–25	12	10	2	2	6	11	23	6	10	2	2	6	12	25	6

The making of an Aussie

The plush Hakoah club at Bondi has seen a large range of activities in its few years of operation — now it will be the scene of a naturalisation ceremony.

The subject will be the Slickers' brilliant Scottish midfield star John Stevenson and his wife, Margaret.

Son Garry will be merely an amused bystander — the one year old boy was born in Australia and is already "natural."

The ceremony will take place on Thursday (August 14).

John Stevenson: soon he'll be "natural."

2 TO 6

Conducted by Val Hokin and Emmanuel Kanna

***BONNYRIGG EAGLES** (3rd div.) suffered an upset defeat going down 1-2 against Liverpool Albions. The Eagles had the upper hand in the first half maintaining persistent attack which did not result in any goals. The second half started with more determination from both sides and the Eagles were rewarded with a goal in the 55th minute. The ball was sent from the left wing to the penalty area and eventually finished with Martin Bazi who shot to score, but the ball was obstructed and rebounded back to him again this time he made sure by softly pushing it past the goalkeeper. With 20 minutes from the final whistle Andy Everett received the ball from the left wing and ran to the goalline, tackling a defender he shot the ball squarely into the penalty area only to see it rebound out from an accidental hand contact. Liverpool were awarded a penalty and Brian DeCelis scored to equalise. One minute later Liverpool were awarded a freekick and the shot came in front of the goalmouth from Bob McDougall to gently head it in making the score 1-2. Bonnyrigg Eagles put extra effort into the attack and were rewarded wth a goal in the dying minutes of the game. As the ball went into the net the linesman put up his flag and the referee, after some hesitation, judged the move offside and disallowed the goal and the equaliser.*

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***EASTERN CREEK** (4th div.) suffered a 1-2 defeat when playing Paddington Spanish at Carawara Park and as a result now three sides are tied up at the top with 25 points each. The first goal was netted by the Spanish and the scorer John Aburto was in no doubt when he sent a powerful high shot into the goal which the goalkeeper allowed presuming it would miss the target. After a while there were more attacks and finally in midfield the ball was with Dave Nolan for Eastern Creek. He gave a pass back to Doug Spargo who, from 25 metres out, sent a powerful shot straight into the net. The winning goal for Paddington came just before halftime and it resulted from a defensive error when the ball, which was returned to the goalkeeper, was intercepted by Maurice Callaja, the Spanish forward. He coolly tackled the last defender and scored from close range.*

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***PADSTOW PARK** (4th div.) with only three games to go is on top of the table after defeating Revesby Rovers 1-3. Although the score margin is big the game was not all one sided and the score with only 20 minutes to go was 0-0. Revesby had many scoring chances in the first half but somehow could not put the ball into the net. Finally success came when there was a breakaway and a solo effort resulted in the only goal for the home side. Padstow came back with revenge and scored three quick goals in 10 minutes, completely overtaking Revesby. Neil Johnston scored the first goal with a first-time shot after receiving the ball off a square pass. A direct freekick was taken by Chris Coughlan who rolled the ball for Mick Farrel to hammer it in. The final goal was from a header by Greg Hinds. Next week the joint leaders Padstow and Paddington Spanish clash in a vital game played at Campbell Park.*

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***NORTH RYDE** (3rd div.) are still the leaders of the division even after dropping a point to Artarmon. The final score was 2-2 with a third goal for Artarmon being disallowed in the last minute of the game. Artarmon scored first and last, the first goal coming from a scramble in the goalmouth and the last goal was due to a North Ryde defensive error. For Norths Paul Lewis and Greg Spice were the scorers, both goals coming from shots outside the penalty area.*

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***GLENQUARRIE UNITED** (6th div.) held on to their slender lead in 6th division with a 5-0 win over South Sydney. It took 30 minutes for Glenquarrie to score the first goal when Tony Wood found the net after beating the 'keeper. The second half saw Harold Gosch score in the 56th minute to give the Gunners a 2-0 lead. Two minutes later John Borovnik replaced Geoff Arnold and scored shortly after. In the 80th minute Guenter Distler scored his first of two and six minutes later scored again. South Sydney held out well for the first 39 minutes of the match. Reserve grade saw Glenquarrie score early with a Rudi Mula header. The second goal came from Barry Thompson with Andy Davis scoring with five minutes to go to halftime. From the restart Andy Davis increased the score to 4-0. Further goals came from Les Hutchins, John Borovnik (2) and another from Andy Davis.*

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***LANE COVE** (2nd div.) notched a win last weekend against Gladesville-Hornsby after a rather dry run on points. Coach Ian Westbrook is pleased with his young team's attitude and persistence which is finally paying dividends with combined individual skill working together as a unit. The first grade first goal was scored by Scott Conway with a left foot drive from the 16-metre line after beating two defenders on the run after 20 minutes. Ten minutes later, Scott Conway was instrumental in Lane Cove's second goal by pushing the ball through to Fred Parker who scored from 10 metres for halftime score of 2-0. Fifteen minutes after the restart Lane Cove scored again when John Bykerk headed home a cross from George Iro making the score 3-0. Gladesville-Hornsby came back to force a penalty in the 70th minute and converted it. Keeper Kim Best for Lane Cove did well saving a penalty awarded to Gladesville-Hornsby in the 60th minute.*

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***LIVERPOOL CITY** (6th div.) played their round 19 premiership match away to Liverpool Rangers last Sunday. An uninteresting and dull first 45 minutes saw both sides failing to score from the few chances created. The game livened up in the second half with more positive moves. In the 73rd minute City's George Schymco took on a Rangers defender and hit a hard low cross across the goal for Tony Daley, coming through fast, to score the only goal of the match. City's Darryl Edwards had a top game in goal making a couple of difficult saves even in the last minute. City were well entertained by Rangers after the matches. Reserve grade was a very even game with again only one goal being scored. Early in the second half a cross from John Marincic found Sam Oliver who sidestepped the 'keeper and tapped it home for the 1-0 win.*

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***WEST ST. GEORGE** (5th div.) played away to Winston Hills last weekend with the first grade goal tally being seven. West St.George opened the scoring in the 11th minute with an Alan Piggott shot. Winston Hills forwards found themselves unmarked and scored two quick goals, both good headers, the first from Peter Dunn and the second from Noel Telfer. West St.George equalised just before halftime when Alan Piggott ran through the defence and set up David Hooper to score. In the second half West St.George went 3-2 ahead with a goal from Frank Hall. Then it was Winston Hills' turn when Jim Gebbert equalised with a header and five minutes later Bob Bury took the Hills ahead with the winning goal for a 4-3 result. West St.George have lost Don Killen a first grade defender for the rest of the season with a ruptured ligament and he will be in plaster for six weeks. They may have also lost reserve grade forward, Brett Plumridge with possible glandular fever.*

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***CAMPBELLTOWN CITY** (2nd div.) hosted Guildford County in last weekend's round 19 matches at Lynwood Park, one of the best pitches in second division. The one point was well earned by both sides. T. Glass scored for Guildford from a header with S. Moss scoring Guildford's second goal. Both Campbelltown City's goals in the 2-2 draw were scored by N. Stillie. Both City's goals came from freekick situations where Guildford were slow to organise and the home team took advantage. The first goal for City was a rocket and the second the result of a complete shambles by the Guildford defence.*

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NSW DRAW

DIVISION 2

Marrickville v Gladesville Ravens, Sat., Mackey Park; Dee Why v North Bankstown, Sat., Dee Why Oval; Yagoona v Gladesville Hornsby, Sat., O'Neill Park; Lane Cove v Queens Park E/S, Sat., Pottery Green; Lethbridge Rangers v Guildford County, Sun., Popondetta Park; Baulkham Hills v Campbelltown, Sun., Ted Horwood Res.; Glad.Hornsby v Marrickville, Sun., Morrison Bay.

DIVISION 3

Port Hacking v Sydney Uni, Sun., Anzac Oval; Wenty Waratahs v Artarmon, Sun., Centenary Park; North Ryde v Bonnyrigg Eagles, Sat., North Ryde Oval; Liverpool Albions v Hurstville-Zagreb, Sun., Stanwell Oval; Riverstone v Bondi Marines, Sun., Schofields Park; Kingsford v West Ryde Rovers, Sun., Erskineville Oval; Kingsford v Liverpool, Sat., Turruwul.

DIVISION 4

Canley Heights v Ryde District, Sun., King Park No.1; West Holroyd v Chelsea, Sat., West Guildford; Eastwood 3/A v Eastern Creek, Sun., Eastwood Oval; Paddington Spanish v Padstow Park, Sun., Campbell Park; Fairfield Kiev v Revesby Rovers, Sat., Knight Park No.4; Revesby v Chelsea, Sun., Amour Park.

DIVISION 5

West St.George v Macquarie Uni., Sat., Evatt Park; Fairfield West v Camden, Sun., Parkes Reserve; Haberfield B/D's v Edensor Park, Sun., Beaman Park; North Rocks v Pagewood, Sun., Murray Farm Reserve; Sydney Maccabi v Auburn Juniors, Sat., Sportsground; Winston Hills v Concordia, Sun., Max Ruddock Reserve; Concordia v Pagewood, Sat., Marrickville.

DIVISION 6

South Sydney Dist. v Hawkesbury Dist., Sun., Booralee Park; Green Valley Utd. v Mt. Pritchard, Sun., Blamfield Park; Moorebank v Blacktown Wands. Sun., Hammondville Park; Chullora v Bankstown Sports, Sat., Soccer Centre; Liverpool Utd. v Liverpool City, Sun., Childs Park; Glenquarrie Utd. v Liverpool Rangers, Sun., Bensley Rd. S/Compl.

FIRST DIVISION

— By Charles Spiteri —

Blacktown City picked up three handy points from their two matches this weekend to challenge leaders Marconi who, despite having a bye, are still clear at the top by two points.

PSL clubs dominate the first four positions on the table even though they mostly field young sides.

Blacktown City fielded three youngsters under 16 against Sydney City and Bathurst.

They are Fogarty, Cranston and Quarmby who are candidates to the under 16 State side.

Third on the table St.George struggled all the way to salvage a point against bottom team Warringah.

With only 20 minutes to go they were trailing 3-1 but goals by Ron Fraser and John Davies saved the day.

University and Polonia played a 1-1 draw in a scrappy game.

Both goals came from defensive mistakes.

The boys from the bush, Bathurst are fighting their way to the top and lead the other clubs in the fight for promotion.

Defender Graham Pickup headed the only goal of the match against Belmore — his first this season, but enough to win them both points.

Paul Waine scored the equaliser against Blacktown City with only 20 seconds to go to snatch a valuable point which could well be a deciding point at the end.

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Despite player problems which have dogged the club through the season, Wollongong is putting it together quite well and scoring the goals to get results.

They led 2-0 at halftime in this match and after Revesby pulled one back through Gordon Macking, Mick Terziovski sealed the result with a well taken goal.

The young Leichhardt side under Cliff Van Blerk has started to fire well and this week had an easy stroll against Penrith scoring three goals and missing a few more.

Blacktown United also had three points out of their two games, drawing with Yugal in a fast and tight game and then beating Penrith with one goal.

BELMORE v BATHURST 0-1

Belmore: Hawthorn, Martin, Cruger, Lambert, Vergos, Roberts, Murray, De Mestre, Billinghurst, Reynolds, Kirwin. **Coach:** O. Klaus.
Bathurst: Coles, Bullock, g. Hadley, G. Pickup, Barlow, Waine, Dwyer (Theobold), A. Pickup, Judge, Woodruff, P. Hadley. **Coach:** J. Judge.
Goal: G. Pickup.

BLACKTOWN CITY v BATHURST 3-3

Blacktown City: Harris, Blundell, Fogarty, B. Campbell, Cranston, Manning, Dolton, Cuff, Landon, Batten (Pearson), Quarmby. **Coach:** A. Edmondson.
Bathurst: Coles, Bullock, G. Hadley, G. Pickup, Barlow, Waine, Dwyer (Theobold), A. Pickup, Judge, Woodruff, P. Hadley. **Coach:** J. Judge.
Goals: Batten, Landon, Dolton; A. Pickup, Judge (pen.), Waine.

BLACKTOWN CITY v SYDNEY CITY 2-1

Blacktown City: Freeman, Cuff, Fogarty, Pena, Blundell, Manning, Dolton, Rasmussen, Landon, Batten (Pearson), Quarmby. **Coach:** A. Edmondson.
Sydney City: Berry, McGrouther, Woods, Fonseca, Svynos, Patikas (Sorge), Gomez, Spanos, Henry, Lee, Pettas. **Coach:** D. Hoggart.
Goals: Landon, Manning; Sorge.

UNI OF NSW v POLONIA 1-1

Uni of NSW: Galen, Wren, T. Popovich, Dwyer, Hughes, Kay, Benecke, Harris, Keluwin, Sackett, Kelly. **Coach:** R. Harbour.
Polonia: Greenfield, Illingworth, Svigelj, Hardy, Harris, Sookee (Wisniewski), R. Budini, Crowthers, Maitre, Strzelecki, A. Budini. **Coach:** S. Wozniczka.
Goals: Kelly; A. Budini.

WOLLONGONG v REVESBY 3-1

Wollongong: Vardereff, Montecchie, Vliestra, Talevski, Campbell, Bingham, R. Sattin, H. Sattin, Petkovski, Terziovski, Fontana. **Coach:** M. Johnson.
Revesby: J. Cabone, Gill, Hargreaves, T. Cabone, Pittman, Larkins, Morrow, Butler, Mitford (Prior), Parkinson, Mackin. **Coach:** L. Dobbin.
Goals: Fontana (2), Terziovski; Mackin.

ST. GEORGE v WARRINGAH 3-3

St. George: Wotton, Rendell, Johnson, Holmik, Gnavl, Barton, Davies, Dredge, Morlando, Tuntevski, Fraser. **Coach:** T. Zuckerman.
Warringah: Hersee, Duncan, Collins, Carpenter, Morris, B. Beverley, Scott (Van der Saag), S. Beverley, Griffiths (Sandtner). **Coach:** Z. Napta.
Goals: Dredge, Fraser, Davies; Sturgess, Griffiths, B. Beverley.

BLACKTOWN UTD. v YUGAL 2-2

Blacktown Utd.: Warren, Sutton, Eldridge (Murray), Ber, Foster, Crone, Clarke, Taylor, De Valle, Svarc, Milakovic. **Coach:** D. Zeman.
Yugal: Kostidis, Cummings, Radivojavic, Grubic, Novakovic (Koldarevic), Rodas, O'Brien, Travini, Kapista, Mihajlovic, Tanoski. **Coach:** I. Takac.
Goals: Crone, De Valle; Travini (2).

BLACKTOWN UTD. v PENRITH 1-0

Blacktown Utd.: Warren, Hannis, Ber, Eldridge, Foster, Clarke, Crone, Murray (Milakovic), De Valle, Svarc, Taylor. **Coach:** D. Zeman.
Penrith: Gibson, Rhodes, Hobart, Gaskin, Dunn, T. Thomas, G. Bemer, Hackney, Demattia, Egar, K. Thoms (Ackerley). **Coach:** S. Ackerley.
Goal: Crone.

LEICHHARDT v PENRITH 3-0

Leichhardt: Katsavilis, Blancato, Brown, Gaitatzis, Casacchia, Watt, Gray, Triantafyllou, Savidis, Samuels, De Ciglie. **Coach:** C. Van Blerk.
Penrith: Gibson, Rhodes, Hobart, Gaskin, Dunn, T. Thoms, G. Bemer, Hackney, Demattia, Lewis, K. Thoms (Egar). **Coach:** S. Ackerley.
Goals: Savidis, Samuels, Gray (pen.).

NSW FINALS

These were the results of the NSW Youth League finals played last weekend:

Under 14: St. George v Sutherland 3-0.
Under 15: Gladesville v Sutherland 1-0.
Under 16: Auburn v Sydney City 2-1.
Results of matches for third places:
Under 14: Sydney City v Marconi 2-1.
Under 15: Nepean v St.George 2-0.
Under 16: Marconi v Bankstown 3-1.

The top three teams from each age division — that is the two finalists and the winner of the third place match — will play in the NSW State Championships on September 5,6, and 7 against teams from Western NSW, Riverina and Southern NSW.

In a future issue we will publish the full draw.

Last week

STATE LEAGUE

	I	II	III
Nth.Syd.Inter v Kuringai	1-0	0-2	—
Avala v Manly	1-1	2-1	1-4
Arncliffe v Nth.Syd.Inter	1-3	0-0	0-0
Monaro v Bankstown	2-1	1-1	—
Syd.Olympic v P'matta	4-1	1-0	1-1
Sutherland v Croatia	2-3	0-0	1-1
Auburn v Cant.M'ville	2-1	1-0	3-0
Melita v Ku-ring-gai	2-0	3-0	2-0

DIVISION 1

Leichhardt v Penrith	3-0	2-1	1-1
Blackt.City v Sydney City	2-1	0-0	2-3
Blacktown Utd.v Yugal	2-2	2-0	1-0
Belmore v Bathurst	0-1	0-0	5-1
St.George v Wollongong	—	2-2	5-0
Wollongong v Revesby	3-1	1-1	2-1
Uni of NSW v Polonia	1-1	2-0	0-4
St.George v Warringah	3-3	1-0	2-0
Blackt.Utd.v Penrith	1-0	3-2	4-1
Blackt.City v Bathurst	3-3	3-1	16-0

DIVISION 2

Nth.Bankst.v Yagoona	2-1	1-0	4-1
Queens Pk.v Lethbridge	0-1	0-1	0-0
Baulk.Hills.v Marrickville	3-3	2-2	1-1
Glad.Ravens v Dee Why	3-0	4-0	3-1
Glad.Horns.v Lane Cove	1-3	3-3	—
Camp'town v Guildford	2-2	0-0	0-6

DIVISION 3

Sydney Uni v Wenty	1-1	0-1	
Artarmon v Nth.Ryde	2-2	3-3	
Bonnyrigg v L'pool Alb.	1-2	0-3	
Hurstville v Riverstone	1-2	1-0	
West Ryde v Bondi	2-2	1-1	
Kingsford v Pt.Hacking	0-0	3-0	

DIVISION 4

Chelsea v Maroubra	1-2	0-0
Fairfield v Canley Hts.	3-2	0-2
Ryde Dist. v W.Holroyd	2-2	2-4
East.Creek v Paddington	1-2	3-0
Revesby v Padstow Pk.	1-3	0-1

DIVISION 5

Camden v Haberfield	2-2	6-0
Concordia v Auburn Jnrs	8-1	1-1
Macq.Uni v Fairfield W.	1-2	1-0
Edensor Pk v Nth.Rocks	0-5	0-3
Syd.Macc. v Pagewood	2-3	1-0
Winst.Hills v W.St.Geo.	4-3	1-2

DIVISION 6

Mt.Pritchard v L'pool Utd	0-2	0-2
Hawkesbury v Green Vall	0-1	3-1
Mt.Pritch. v Moorebank	0-5	0-4
Blacktown v Bankstown	3-1	1-0
Chullora v L'pool Utd.	5-1	2-0
L'pool Rang.v L'pool City	0-1	0-1
Glenquarrie v Sth.Syd.	5-0	8-0

NSW YOUTH LEAGUE

FINAL TABLES

WESTERN DIVISION

UNDER 14

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Blacktown City	20	2	—	115	11	42
Marconi	16	5	1	93	17	37
Nepean	18	—	4	90	15	36
Gladesville	14	2	6	50	21	30
South.Districts	10	5	7	47	41	25
Baulkham Hills	7	6	9	32	39	20
Auburn	7	4	11	34	45	18
Melita	7	2	13	23	39	16
Polonia	3	4	14	19	80	10
Blackt.Utd.	5	1	16	20	68	11
West. NSW	4	3	14	26	94	11
Blackt.Assoc.	2	2	18	13	82	6

UNDER 15

Gladesville	20	1	1	154	10	41
Nepean	18	3	1	89	26	39
Auburn	16	3	3	99	27	35
Melita	13	3	6	63	26	29
South.Dist.	13	3	6	76	49	29
Blacktown Utd.	9	4	9	48	49	22
Blackt.City	8	4	10	52	47	20
Baulk.Hills	7	1	14	39	56	15
Blackt.Assoc.	5	—	17	22	79	10
Marconi	5	1	16	20	79	11
Polonia	3	2	16	24	87	8
West.NSW	1	1	19	13	165	3

UNDER 16

Marconi	21	1	—	111	14	43
Auburn	17	1	4	70	27	35
Blackt.City	12	4	5	58	22	28
Melita	10	6	6	33	31	26
West.NSW	9	5	7	26	22	23
Gladesville	9	2	11	44	37	20
Baulk.Hills	9	2	11	29	27	20
Nepean	8	4	10	31	35	20
Polonia	8	1	11	23	51	17
Southern Dist.	4	4	14	25	63	12
Blackt.Utd.	4	2	16	18	73	10
Blackt.Assoc.	2	2	18	22	87	6

EASTERN DIVISION

UNDER 14

St.George	21	5	—	65	8	47
Sutherland	18	7	1	66	16	43
Illawarra	17	5	3	61	13	39
Bankstown	17	1	6	72	20	35
APIA	15	3	5	70	23	33
Manly	13	3	9	45	28	29
Canterbury	11	5	10	31	24	27
South & East	9	9	8	37	43	27
Central Coast	11	1	12	41	43	23
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Sutherland	19	5	2	56	11	43
St.George	20	2	4	59	17	42
Canterbury	17	4	5	62	25	38
Bankstown	17	5	3	56	19	39
Sydney City	17	3	6	36	28	37
Illawarra	15	1	9	43	24	31
APIA	12	5	8	29	28	29
Ku-ring-gai	13	1	11	31	42	27
South.East.	9	3	14	36	60	21
Arncliffe	6	2	17	16	47	14
Central Coast	6	1	17	18	64	13
Manly	6	—	19	16	53	12
Sydney Olympic	3	3	19	6	52	9

UNDER 16

Bankstown	18	5	3	69	22	41
Sydney City	19	2	5	64	30	40
St.George	16	7	3	54	23	39
Sutherland	12	8	5	59	33	32
Illawarra	12	8	8	30	23	32
Manly	13	3	10	39	32	29
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South.East.	10	4	12	40	48	24
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Arncliffe	6	6	12	15	36	18
Canterbury	6	4	18	39	56	16
Central Coast	5	5	14	14	97	15

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MATCH POST-MORTEM

By Andrew Dettre

Don't go to Rio — see Muniz first

Brazil: colorful Rio, Copacabana, carneval, samba — and, of course, "futebol" with the Peles, Garrinchas, Amarildos and Zicos. That's the image — and that's the way of life, too. Agenor Muniz, a blond, curly-haired "Carioca" or native of Rio, embodies much of the elegance and artistry which the world has come to admire in Brazilian soccer. Now the playmaker of Adelaide City, the former — and perhaps future — Socceroo is probably one of the most skilled players in Australia.

SW: You've been around here for quite some time now...

AM: I came to Sydney in 1971, when I was 20 and played for Hakoah for years, originally on the right wing with my compatriot Adahilton Silva on the left.

SW: Were you a pro in Brazil?

AM: Yes, at 14. At that age I was also involved in a terrible car accident and spent 12 months in hospital with burns and cuts. I still have the scars. Two of my friends were killed in that mishap.

SW: I believe you come from a large family?

AM: Fairly large...I have six brothers and four sisters; they all live in Brazil.

SW: What was your club in Rio?

AM: I played for only one club, Vasco de Gama, until I left for Australia. It's one of the greatest clubs in Brazil.

SW: I remember you weren't too happy to move to Adelaide some years ago?

AM: That's true; I loved Sydney. But it's different now. I'm well settled, with a great job at a smallgoods firm, Jacobs. My wife, Dianne and I have a town house. She's finishing her course now as a dietician and will work in a hospital next year. She's been absolutely wonderful right throughout my Australian career; I couldn't have made it without her.

SW: You train four nights a week?

AM: Yes and I also coach an under-11 team at Scots College, so that makes it five nights.

SW: Why did you drop out of Socceroo calculations?

AM: I'd like to know that myself. I played 38 matches for Australia, almost in a stretch and then, in 1977, Jim Shoulder sacked me. I was never told why. Since then, I have not managed to get back into the team. And I'm only 29.

SW: You are playing in a fairly attacking role nowadays?

AM: Yes, I'm almost back on the right wing, slightly withdrawn. I like that, you can break into the goalmouth.

SW: Adelaide City has 'earned' a few penalties through your sorties?

AM: I think five — all converted by Johnny Nyskohus.

SW: Your team's goal today came from a freekick of yours; was it an accident?

AM: No, we practice all sorts of dead-ball situations. Against St.George we scored all six goals from set pieces. I like taking freekicks and corners — but the penalties I leave to Johnny.

SW: Has your game changed a lot since your arrival in Australia?

AM: Enormously. I'm much faster now, for a start. I think I'd be the fastest player if I returned to Brazil. But it took me a year or two to adapt myself to the more 'British' type of soccer. Yet I never sacrificed my skill. I never worry about an opponent facing me, I know I can beat him. I worry about guys coming from behind.

SW: How important is skill to you?

AM: Being a Brazilian, it's very important. Without that you can't even play for a junior team in Rio. It's the one department where many Australians are lagging though there is an improvement.

SW: Do you think you'll ever play for Australia again?

AM: That's what I'm hoping for. I became naturalised in 1975, I'm playing well and, at 29, I'm at my peak. Maybe Rudi Gutendorf will notice me one day.

Agenor Muniz

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FROM THE PRESS BOX

I am beginning to have serious doubts about the value of our yellow card system.

This form of caution seems to enable some referees to keep players on the park who should really be sent off.

But with the flashing of the card they must feel that they have done justice without "ruining" the game.

I disagree with this notion. In two recent matches I saw 10 players cautioned and none sent off whereas, under the definition of violent conduct, at least three would have richly deserved an early shower.

The players sense that referees are reluctant to throw them out of the game and so they go to the very limit or even beyond it.

But does this eradicate rough play? Of course not. The player who has already been cautioned duly becomes cautious — and the next one follows with some hair-raising fouls.

And this goes on until four, five or more have received their own yellow card, almost in a pre-arranged fashion.

WORLDWIDE

The sad thing about it is that excessive violence in soccer is not only an Australian phenomenon but a worldwide trend.

Even some of the most "celebrated" players have been known to resort to completely ruthless fouls — think of such stars as Benetti, Neeskens, Passarella and others in the 1978 World Cup.

The edict seems clear: the opposition's strikers must be stopped at any cost — and a freekick, perhaps an occasional yellow card, is well worth saving a likely goal.

Last week's Marconi v Sydney City match was one such occasion.

The two most creative and most lethal strikers, Sharne and Boden, were kicked and hacked, most of the time with the referee's tacit approval.

The treatment Sharne was getting bordered on the criminal — yet at least five very deliberate, cynical and dangerous fouls on him resulted in three freekicks and two cautions only.

On one occasion, near the 18-yard line, when most of us were wondering whether it's a freekick or a penalty, South Australian referee Don Campbell — gave a corner.

DEFINITION

Of course, all our coaches and officials are fully aware that the greatest assets of their clubs are the entertaining, skilled, colorful players.

Fans who pay their $3 at the gate usually go to see these gifted performers — and not those who hack them to pieces.

I don't argue that these players deserve more protection than the others — but they certainly deserve more than they are getting now.

It's up to referees to find the difference between an ordinary foul and a vicious one.

Law XII (n) says that..."a player shall be sent off the field of play if...in the opinion of the referee, he is guilty of violent conduct or serious foul play."

And for that, the offending player need not have been cautioned previously.

Now it's a matter of taste what constitutes violent conduct or serious foul play.

I, for one, would classify a deliberate going over the ball, a hack from behind or a raised-leg charge on the goalkeeper as very serious foul play indeed.

Obviously, Don Campbell didn't last week — and many other referees don't, either.

Unfortunately, many of them labor under the false impression that it's up to them to keep all 22 players on the field during the game.

It isn't. This is up to the players themselves.

Many referees don't want to "ruin" a game by sending off a player when he deserves it — and then go on and ruin it anyway by turning it into a whistling-cautioning circus.

ONLY REFEREES

Soccer is a contact sport, a manly game with strong physical characteristics: nobody wants to change that.

But it isn't a gladiatorial contest and it shouldn't be a game where intimidation and sheer brutality predominate.

It's no use talking to the coaches and begging them to instruct their players to refrain from violence: through the very nature of the game, most defensive instructions bear at least a tacit hint of violence.

It's up to the referees to interpret and then enforce the laws correctly rather than "letting the game flow" — and with it the blood, too.

— Andrew Dettre

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Brisbane City	v	West Adel.	Perry Park	3pm
Leichhardt	v	Sydney City	Lambert Park	3pm
Blacktown	v	Brisb.Lions	Gabbie Stadium	3pm
Adelaide City	v	Newcastle	Olympic Spts.Fld.	2.30
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1

MARCONI 2(0)
ADELAIDE CITY 1(1)

Goals: 0-1 Jones (29m), 1-1 Krncevic (76m), 2-1 Russell (o.g. 79m).

MARCONI: Maher 4, Brogan 3, Henderson 4, Prskalo 4, Cant 3, Mariani 3 (Muir 46m), Raskopoulos 3 (Lindsay 71m), Krncevic 3, Jankovics 3, Sharne 4, Byrne 3. **Coach:** L. Scheinflug.
ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 3, Dods 3, Perin 4, Jones 4, Russell 4, B. Nyskohus 3, Melta 3 (Marocchi 86m), Muniz 4, Mitchell 2 (Northcote 46m), Barnes 2, J. Nyskohus 3. **Coach:** R. Rasic.

Referee: C. Bambridge (Vic); **crowd:** 5,500; **cautions:** Byrne, Prskalo, Dods.

The balmy spring afternoon may have to be blamed: the first 25 minutes or so produced a cautious, almost sleepy sparring with neither team threatening.

However, against a visibly tired Marconi — following their midweek battle — Adelaide City looked the more cohesive and coherent and deserved their lead.

In the 29th minute a Muniz freekick from the right was headed back by Mitchell and Jones stabbed the loose ball home from a few metres.

Almost at once Marconi could have equalised: Marshall dropped a ball under challenge from Krncevic but Jankovics, with his left, miskicked in the goalmouth.

With the three dangerous Marconi strikers very closely shadowed, the 1979 champions looked paralysed especially as their midfield was putting on a pretty stereotype display.

Only the occasional bursts by the seemingly tireless Henderson from deep cover defence indicated some willingness to put the Marconi act together.

Far too many aimless lobs were sent into the Adelaide goalmouth, especially by Brogan and Prskalo.

After the interval Adelaide City became more defensive and even the usually adventurous Dods stayed well back.

Marconi kept lurching forward and the chances came. In the 62nd minute Jankovics missed twice in front of goal: his first shot smashed into Marshall, the rebound was sent over the bar.

Ten minutes later a brilliant Sharne dash and low cross was missed by his partners.

Then, in the 76th minute, the equaliser arrived: after an amazing sequence of heading duel involving some seven players, the ball fell to Krncevic who prodded it in from close range.

Barely three minutes later the match was won and lost: Prskalo's freekick was sailing towards Jankovics and Russell, back-pedalling to reach the ball, headed it past his advancing goalie.

— Andrew Dettre

2

WEST ADELAIDE 0
LEICHHARDT 4(2)

Goals: 0-1 Pirie (19m, pen.), 0-2 O'Connor (27m), 0-3 Morsello (83m), 0-4 O'Connor (85m).

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 3, Tymczyszyn 2, Bozanic 4, Carruthers 2, Topaz 4, Forde 4, Pantsaras 3 (Doorne 86m), Manecas 4, Kosmina 4, Honeyman 4, McGregor 4. **Coaches:** I. McGregor, M. Crook.

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 3, Pullen 4, McGinn 3, Coyne 4, Wilson 4, Dempsey 3 (Skellern 76m), Butler 3, (McKie 83m), McAusland 4, Pirie 4, Morsello 4, **O'Connor 5. Coach:** W. Wallace.

Referee: T. Davies (Tas.); **crowd:** 3,340.

This hard fought victory provided a series of first for Leichhardt.

It was their first win outside of Sydney for the season and Billy Pirie's 19th minute penalty broke his league scoring duck for the year.

However, the huge winning margin failed to tell the true story of Westad's gallant attacking efforts.

Westad, eager to prove that their player-control policy was a viable proposition, hurled all of their resources into the fray.

In the process of the onslought, Leichhardt's goal led a charmed life as young Tom Forde and Vic Bozanic both hit the posts and goalkeeper Greg Woodhouse needed the assistance of Peter Wilson, Mark Pullen and John Coyne to clear headers off his goalline.

The raids came after Pirie had converted the penalty, awarded when a shot from Terry Butler spun onto Westad defender Peter Tymczyszyn's hand.

It was a cruel blow for the struggling team, but worse was to follow eight minutes later when Leichhardt's clever winger Phil O'Connor took a great return pass from Colin McAusland to score with a powerful header.

While Westad went in at halftime trailing 0-2, their fans cheered them off the field in appreciation of their aggressive, though luckless efforts.

On resumption Westad earned three scoring chances in the opening five minutes through Kosmina, Manecas and Carruthers.

O'Connor broke the Westad attacking spell 10 minutes into the half when he burst clear with only Martyn Crook to beat, but the Socceroo goalkeeper dived bravely to snatch the ball from the striker's feet.

Manecas then cracked a sizzling drive under the crossbar, but the ball bounced back into play to emphasise that it was not Westad's day.

Leichhardt doubled their already flattering scoreline in the final seven minutes as promising teenager Tony Morsello nodded in a header from a Pirie pass and O'Connor netted his second goal of the game when he met a lob from Morsello.

— Allan Crisp

3

NEWCASTLE UTD 0
FOOTSCRAY 0

NEWCASTLE: Dando 4, Reaney 4, Sneddon 4, Drinkwater 4, Curran 4, **Senkalski 5**, Bertogna 3, Mason 3, (Tredinnick 73m), Heys 3, Burrows 3, Jones 3. **Coach:** A. Vest.

FOOTSCRAY: Boland 4, Milne 4, Kondarios 4, **O'Reilly 5**, Hazabent 3, Jovanovic 3, Ilioski 4, Kyriakouleas 3, Vasic 4, Belic 3, Lujic 3. **Coach:** R. Ille.
Referee: A. Boskovic (NSW); **crowd:** 5,526; **cautions:** Jovanovic, Curran.

The vagaries of soccer were clearly demonstrated when Newcastle failed to turn territorial advantage into goals.

Footscray, obviously intent on leaving with a point, gave the home team plenty of scope for attack but goals failed to materialise due to Newcastle's known ineffectiveness up front.

Despite stout defensive work by O'Reilly and Kondarios, Newcastle made many inroads to 'keeper Dennis Boland but that alarming lack of a consistent cool head finisher was again evident.

It was left to former Socceroo Joe Senkalski to stamp his class all over the game.

Positively brilliant in midfield, he was out of luck with a magnificent effort in the 54th minute.

Senkalski is one of the rare breed of players with visionary skills and finishing ability and his form over the past few weeks must bring him back into calculations for the Australian squad.

When the Footscray defence backpedalled from one of his raiding thrusts, Senkalski let loose a vicious 30-metre drive and Boland only just managed to push the ball up to the underside of the crossbar.

Minutes later he coolly sidestepped two defenders to unleash another slashing shot which slipped past the upright. Two moments of what soccer is all about — skill and opportunism.

Newcastle badly needed both points in this match, yet early on it was the silky touches of Dragan Vasic which captivated the crowd.

Then it was evident that former England and Leeds United fullback Paul Reaney had decided to play a much greater attacking role than in any previous match.

He teamed up well with Senkalski and Graham Heys in some dangerous raiding work on the right and Newcastle should have had someone ready and waiting in the penalty area for one of his crosses.

The best chance of the first half fell to midfielder Craig Mason from great build-up work by John Sneddon and Senkalski, but the ball flashed well wide of the Footscray goal.

O'Reilly came to Footscray's rescue by clearing a Bertogna shot on the line, then the post stopped a Jones effort from counting.

— Myles Hay

4

STH.MELBOURNE 3(1)
BRISBANE CITY 3(0)

Goals: 1-0 Rogers (23m), 1-1 Conner (51m), 2-1 Bannon (78m), 2-2 Conner (80m), 2-3 Kelso (85m), 3-3 Evans (89m).

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Laumets 4, **Bannon 5**, Xanthopolous 3, Rogers (Wright 4, 23m), Christopoulos 4, Evans 4, Buljevic 4, Cummings 3, G. Campbell 4, **Lutton 5**, Blair 3. **Coach:** J. Margaritis.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 4, Potter 3, **Ratcliffe 5**, **Perry 5**, Pimblett 3, Wilkinson 4, Palinkas 4, Conner 4, Caldwell 4, Kelso 3, Hamilton 4 (Low 85m). **Coach:** G. Potter.
Referee: E. Venios (Vic); **crowd:** 4,800.

The match South Melbourne had to win to stay in the race almost turned into a stunning defeat.

A blustery wind aided South Melbourne in their early efforts but the target was difficult to find during the first 10 minutes.

The visitors were playing with cohesion and made some headway for Kelso to have a good try.

South's pressure told with several corners; Campbell placed accurately for Rogers to score with a brilliant diving header.

He sustained a head injury and was carried off to hospital with a split nose, Wright replacing him.

Play was held up until he recovered consciousness.

South looked likely to score but Wilkinson blocked many drives from Campbell and Christopoulos.

Just on halftime, a shot by Palinkas brought out a finger-tip save from Laumets which could have squared the scoreline.

Brisbane now had the advantage of the wind, and six minutes into the second half, a Palinkas corner gave Conner an excellent goal.

Both goals had some narrow escapes with play getting rough and tough as they fought for supremacy.

In one of Vin Bannon's raids up the right wing, he scored one of the most exciting goals of the year.

Conner came into the picture once more with another Palinkas corner for his second goal.

Kelso brushed aside the efforts of Xanthopoulos to stop him and Brisbane had hit the front with only five minutes to go.

South were definitely not the team of four weeks ago, and were obviously missing the mercurial Davidson since his injury.

The final minute saw a freekick by George Campbell to Alun Evans, who spun around to flash the ball in for the leveller.

The game had been a tense, dour, struggle under very windy conditions. Vic Bannon and Bertie Lutton revelled in everything for South, and Ratcliffe with Perry were Brisbane City's best.

— Jock Stephen

5

SYDNEY CITY 3(1)
BLACKTOWN 0

Goals: 1-0 Stevenson (33m), 2-0 Stevenson (49m), 3-0 Barnes (83m).

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 4, Mullen 4, Souness 4, O'Connor 4, **Bruce 5**, **Stevenson 5**, Spanos 4, Barnes 4, **Boden 5**, Trenter 3 (Smith 72m), Silva 3 (Watson 61m). **Coach:** E. Thomson.

BLACKTOWN: **James 5**, Harris 3, Turnbull 4, **Selvage 3**, **Pointer 3**, **O'Donnell 3**, Ortega 3, (Rasmussen 61m), Wilkinson 2, Izatt 2, Pollard 2 (Fisher 74m), Campbell 4. **Coach:** M. Jones.

Referee: J. Reeves (NSW); **crowd:** 2,200; **cautions:** O'Donnell, Izatt, Watson, Turnbull.

The Slickers fear that this "easy match" could produce an unpleasant surprise for them failed to materialise.

Without their respective stars, Joe Watson and Ian Hunter, both teams started off somewhat depleted.

The Slickers were fast off the mark: in the 7th minute Boden's sharp header just went wide.

Barely two minutes later Trenter was brought down inside the box and Blacktown were lucky to escape scotfree.

Sydney City kept pouring on the pressure and Boden's 22-metre screamer was saved.

The yellow card epidemic broke out in the 32nd minute when Brian O'Donnell was cautioned after a foul on Boden; more were to come with Boden usually the victim.

Silva took the freekick and Stevenson smashed home a great drive from 18 metres to open the score.

With Harris marking Boden and young Don Campbell following Trenter the Blacktown defence seemed to hold out fairly well — for a while.

What's more, in the 48th minute the Demons could have been 1-1 up but O'Donnell missed in the goalmouth.

Barely a minute later Boden gave his marker the slip and his cross was smashed home by Stevenson at the far post.

In the 54th minute Boden was brought down by Campbell inside the box — but Stevenson's penalty was saved.

The rest of the match was richly sprinkled with more cautions, frequent substitutions — and one more goal.

In the 83rd minute Barnes crashed his way up the middle and from the edge of the box sent a high shot into the far corner.

Blacktown never stopped trying but the Slickers simply had too much class for them.

As for the Slickers, they were always in command, cruising to a fairly convincing victory without having reached their usual heights: no doubt the previous Wednesday's Battle of Bossley Park has sapped the energy of most players.

— John Economos

6

BRISBANE LIONS 0
ST.GEORGE 0

LIONS: Scanlan 3, Ontong 4, Hermiston 4, Bennett 4, Niven 3, Hogg 3, Lindsay 4, Verwell 3, (Wright 65m), McNaughton 3 (Ogden 65m), Millman 3, Hughes 3. **Coach:** M. Carson.

ST.GEORGE: Fraser 3, McIntosh 3, Hadley 3, Scharfegger 3, Russell 3, Skeen 2, Stone 2, Katholos 2, Kay 2, Duarte 2 (Cotton 73m), Campbell 3. **Coach:** R. Blanco.
Referee: D. Nugent (Qld.); **crowd:** 2,000.

Describing this game is even harder than it was to watch it and that was hard enough.

It was not a game of soccer and that is where the description should end for enough has been written with those few words.

We should really describe the motivation behind St.George's tactics for if coaches of the calibre of Blanco and Arok can be reduced to this sort of desperation then the sooner the relegation threat is removed from Philips League the better.

This sort of rubbish was not worth 30 cents, never mind $3.

Those of us who do understand soccer tactics picked out the "order of the day" within minutes of the kick-off.

With Hadley playing as a free-back behind Russell and Scharfegger, Kay, Duarte and Campbell isolated up front and Stone and Katholos swamped in midfield, it was obvious we were in for a long tedious afternoon.

Not that the planned containment was the tight possessive game played so well in Europe and which, as a tactic, has some measure of skill and precision; this was the "boot the ball anywhere" syndrome so loved by 10-year-old kids, the desperate defence that leaves a bad taste when it is practiced from "go to whoa".

That was bad enough but probably St.George's best skill was the art of wasting time, indulged in from the first whistle, even Fraser doing everything at a walking pace.

This art even reached new heights when, in the last minute, St.George signalled the referee that they wished to make a substitution, held up play while they discussed who was to come off then, when Katholos had WALKED the width of the field, they changed their minds and left him on.

That was the "game" that was. Lions huffed and puffed for 90 minutes but lacked the craftsman needed to prise open this type of wall.

With just one classy striker Lions could have won the game by four goals or more, regardless of the siege-mentality of their relegation threatened opponents.

St. George got a point, Lions got a point, the only losers were the fans who must have been thoroughly disillusioned by it all.

— Jim Binnie

7

HEIDELBERG 2(1)
CANBERRA CITY 0

Goals: 1-0 J. Campbell (24m), 2-0 Paton (71m).

HEIDELBERG: Olver 3, **McMillan 5**, P. Bannon 4, **Yzendoorn 5**, Tansey 4, Selemides 3, Taylor 3, J. **Campbell 5**, Cole 4, Paton 3, Williams 3 (Bozikas 61m). **Coach:** L. McKendry.

CANBERRA: Wilson 3, Moulis 3, **Milovanovic 5**, Stark 3, Williams 4, D. Cole 4, J. O'Shea 3, Giampaolo 3, McLaren 3 (Brennan 66m), T. Byrne 4, Valeri 3. **Coach:** J. Brown.
Referee: T. Beazleigh (Vic.); **crowd:** 2,500; **caution:** Brennan.

Len McKendry must sometimes wonder what made him leave a secure $17,000 job with the Victorian Soccer Federation to take on the hazards of club coaching.

He has had a number of problems since taking over at Heidelberg and on Saturday was not the most popular man with United's fans after dropping Andy Bozikas to make way for Jim Campbell.

The popular winger was greeted with wild cheers when he finally came on as substitute for Jimmy Williams in the 61st minute.

However, McKendry was proved right in giving Campbell the nod, for the midfielder — now fully fit again — was the main instigator behind United's victory.

He completely overshadowed fellow midfielders Ken Taylor and Theo Selemides with his workrate and provided Heidelberg with the breakthrough goal to subdue Canberra.

Campbell cleverly darted into space to collect Gary Cole's pass and rifled the ball past Richard Wilson at the 24th minute mark.

After the goal United grew in confidence, and Gary Cole came close to scoring when intercepting a pass by Danny Moulis, but Wilson cleverly forced the striker wide and the chance was wasted.

Canberra again started well after the break with Olver taking two bites to gather a Don McLaren drive.

Moulis shot inches over the bar after latching onto a clearance by Jim Tansey after 62 minutes.

But it was substitute Tony Brennan who came closest to scoring, smashing a screamer against the bar with his first touch of the ball in the 67th minute.

The miss proved costly, as Jamie Paton sealed up the match for Heidelberg four minutes later.

The nippy striker was at the right spot to toe poke the ball home from close range after a goalmouth scramble caused by Taylor's left wing cross.

Arthur McMillan, another Heidelberg player who shone, nearly added a third on the stroke of fulltime but his final shot hit the side netting.

— Peter Desira

PHILIPS SOCCER LEAGUE

Sydney's sad trio in death row struggle

— By Andrew Dettre —

This is the week when Heidelberg may come back into title calculations — or abandon the title to Sydney City.

Heidelberg will play two games, on Wednesday against Lions and on Sunday against Footscray, both away from home.

Anything less than three points from these would see the end of a dream, that of taking the PSL championship to Melbourne for the first time.

Actually, neither hurdle seems excessively difficult for an in-form Heidelberg; Lions are again plodding while Footscray, without any special motivation, have further reduced their fighting qualities.

We anticipate Heidelberg to draw 1-1 with Lions and then whack Footscray 3-1. Or the other way around, perhaps?

All three Sydney matches on Sunday — what a crowd-killing suicide — may strongly influence the relegation issue.

Perhaps Blacktown have the lightest burden to carry, against Lions, who will have Wednesday's match still in their muscles.

This will be a true test of character for struggling Blacktown knowing full well that two points here could just about save their neck whereas a home defeat would keep them uncomfortably close to the guillotine.

Ian Hunter's presence is imperative if Blacktown aim for more than a draw against a team notorious for seeking single points in their outings.

We expect a scoreless draw.

St. George face Marconi which bounced back into form recently.

The Saints must surely know that if they lose — and if Blacktown win — the long dreaded relegation will have come a giant step nearer.

In Brisbane last Sunday they fought well for a draw and it's certain that they will again approach their task with a very defensive mentality.

But Marconi are not easy to hold: the explosive Sharne alone is able to cause untold damage even to the most disciplined defences.

This could be a titanic battle — but tip Marconi to win 2-1.

At Lambert Park, the suddenly rescussitated Leichhardt will not start without a chance even against champions-elect Sydney City.

Leichhardt's brilliant 4-0 win in Adelaide must be ample warning to one and all that they refuse to quietly lie down and die.

The Slickers are not playing near their best though the skill, balance and cohesion are still there.

The somewhat narrow confines of the pitch may not suit Sydney City against a Leichhardt certain to strive for yet another good result.

Still, it's very difficult to forecast an upset — we tip Sydney City to win 1-0.

South Melbourne, now definitely in a mild decline, go to Canberra for the points in the hope that their Top Four prospects don't suffer another jolt.

South's defence appears to be in a cavalier mood and a repetition of their display of last week would be smartly exploited by the attack-conscious Canberra.

There is little doubt that most Canberra fans feel slightly disappointed over their team's effort this season, in view of the very sizeable investments in the transfer market.

But surely they didn't expect that a team rebuilding of such magnitude would bear instant fruit.

Perhaps a draw, 1-1, could be the result.

Having suffered a break in their eight-match non-losing sequence, Adelaide City will meet Newcastle in a finely balanced game.

Last Sunday in Sydney Adelaide's attack appeared on the lightweight side, with very little punch.

They rely strongly on the grafting of the brilliant Muniz and the surges of Sergio Melta plus, of course, a well organised defence — always a Rasic hallmark.

"Rather ironic. We can shoot a rocket 239,000 miles and hit the moon, yet with a ball, five yards from an open goal —"

Newcastle, with Senkalski and Tredinnick as their conductors, play it fairly simple — perhaps the PSL's most orthodox team.

But they concede very few goals and Barnes & Co. will have to be pretty alert to pierce the Newcastle rearguard.

This could be yet another low-scoring game — and we tip Adelaide City to win 1-0.

Having almost certainly escaped from the relegation zone, Brisbane City will be oozing with confidence against the totally demoralised West Adelaide.

Scoring three goals in Melbourne last Sunday was an excellent achievement and further proof that City's low standing wasn't deserved.

West Adelaide go from bad to worse; the dismissed Gerry Chaldi must be chuckling over the calamity of their heavy home defeat last week.

Really, it's rather naive to ask a struggling team to escape relegation through appointing half the team as a selection committee, the other half as coaches — and all this in our semi-professional PSL.

It looks as if Westad really believed that they couldn't be relegated without breaking the two-team nexus of the city and refused to throw good money after bad to rectify things.

Brisbane City, compact and combative, should romp in — our tip is 3-0.

PSL '80 RESULT GRID

	Marconi	Heidelberg	Sydney City	Brisbane City	Adelaide City	Newcastle	West Adel.	Leichhardt	Brisb.Lions	Footscray	St.George	Canberra	Sth.Melb.	Blacktown
Marconi	★	1-1	2-0	4-0	2-1		2-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	0-0	3-2		9-0
Heidelberg		★	0-0	3-1		4-0	4-2	5-1		3-2	4-2	2-0	1-2	5-1
Sydney City	2-1	1-1	★		2-1	2-0	7-0	4-2	1-1			0-2	2-1	3-0
Brisbane City	2-1	7-0	1-0	★	1-2	1-2		1-0	1-1	1-1	0-1		0-1	
Adelaide City	0-1	1-0		0-0	★		1-0	2-0	0-0	4-1	6-1	1-1		3-2
Newcastle	0-1		0-3	1-1	3-1	★	2-0	1-0	0-0	0-0		0-4	1-0	1-0
West Adel.		1-0	0-2	1-0		1-1	★	0-4	1-1	0-2	1-0			4-2
Leichhardt	2-2	0-5			2-1	1-0	2-0	★			1-2	2-1	1-0	0-0
Brisb.Lions			2-0		1-2		2-1	2-1	★	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-2	1-0
Footscray	0-4		1-2	1-1	1-3	2-1		1-0	3-1	★	5-3	0-1	3-0	
St.George			0-2	1-1	1-4	0-3		1-0	2-3	1-1	★	1-5	0-3	4-1
Canberra	0-1	0-1		1-1	1-0	1-2	4-3		2-4	0-0	4-1	★		0-1
Sth.Melb.	3-1	0-0	1-2	3-3	2-1		2-0	1-0	2-2			1-0	★	5-0
Blacktown	5-1	1-2	1-3	3-1		1-1	1-0			3-0	4-2		0-3	★

TOP SCORERS

COLE (Heidelberg)	19
JANKOVICS (Marconi)	12
J.NYSKOHUS (Adel.City)	11
BULJEVIC (Sth.Melb.)	10
KRNCEVIC (Marconi)	10
O'CONNOR (Leichhardt)	10
BARNES (Sydney City)	9
BODEN (Sydney City)	9
PATON (Heidelberg)	9
DUARTE (St.George)	8
KELSO (Brisb.City)	8
STEVENSON (Sydney City)	8

THIS WAS THE WEEK THAT WAS...

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Les Scheinflug, Marconi: "The team was physically and mentally dead at halftime. If Adelaide City had kept attacking, especially Dods, I'm sure we would have lost without a murmur."

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Rale Rasic, Adelaide City: "I never told the players to defend in the second half; they were simply pushed back. Even so, Marconi's equaliser came from a blatant offside situation."

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Rasic again: "Muniz is now the best player in Australia. I really think he should walk into the Socceroo team. Only Vieri and Picioane have the same skill."

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National coach Rudi Gutendorf: "I can't understand why Adelaide City were trying to hold out for their slim 1-0 lead; in the first half they were the better team."

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St. George striker Roy Cotton and coach Blanco had a heated argument at Sydney airport on the team's return from Brisbane and some disciplinary measures may follow.

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Frank Arok, the St.George special adviser, has delayed his departure from Sydney by a few days; instead of Aug. 13, he may leave next week.

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The Vieri crisis is on again: many Marconi fans and some officials are most upset that Vieri — now fit again — is still not being selected for the team.

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Alan Vest, Newcastle coach: "If you can't poke that ball into the net you don't deserve to win, I was very disappointed with our finishing though some of our build-up work was first class".

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Ken Boden, interested spectator at the Newcastle-Footscray match: "I thought Newcastle deserved to win though they didn't make anything of the chances that came their way. A bit more steadiness in front of goal would have helped."

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Matt Carson, Lions': "A week's work went into that effort today, I don't know whether to be angry at my lot or whether to sympathise with them. Imagine being asked to train four nights and end it by playing in a match like that."

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Raul Blanco, St. George: "We got a point and in our present position that is very valuable. I cannot say that I enjoy playing that style of football but we've tried to play open soccer before and were punished severely. Today we planned to give nothing away and I thought the boys defended well."

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Willie Wallace, Leichhardt: "This was a very pleasing win. Perhaps it could have been different if some of West's early chances were put away, but I feel that this win makes up for the times we deserved to win, yet lost."

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PAST RESULTS

	1977	1978	1979
Lions v Heidelberg	2-1	1-1	1-3
Footscray v Heidelberg	1-3	1-2	2-2
Canberra v Sth.Melbourne	0-2	0-3	3-2
Brisb.City v West Adelaide	1-0	0-1	2-0
Leichhardt v Sydney City	—	—	0-3
Blacktown v Lions	—	—	—
Adelaide City v Newcastle	—	1-1	0-0
St.George v Marconi	0-0	2-1	1-1

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RUDI SAYS "NEIN" TO GERMAN AMATEURS

— By *Paul James* —

Rudi Gutendorf has hardly unpacked his suitcases — and he's off again, next week, this time to New Zealand.

Just back from his holidays in Europe, Gutendorf wants to see the New Zealand v Mexico match in Auckland.

"I still regard New Zealand as our most dangerous World Cup opponents," he said on his arrival in Sydney.

"This match will give me a chance to see them in a prestige match."

Gutendorf saw, while in Europe, some of the Olympic matches of Kuwait and Iraq on TV.

"They both achieved some surprisingly good results and Kuwait played especially well.

"These two and of course Iran must be respected but we have to watch also Indonesia: it's never easy to play in Djakarta.

"I saw the two Korean teams earlier this year and I wasn't too impressed with either."

Gutendorf said the European reaction to Australia's recent international results was very favorable.

"They all know about the 2-2 with Czechoslovakia, the 1-1 with Northern Ireland and the 1-2 loss to England.

"Nobody is joking about the Socceroos any more in Europe."

He said he was not too worried about a spate of recent injuries to some of his Socceroo squad members (Selemidis, Davidson, Rooney, etc.).

"We have some 22 in the squad and a couple of injuries will present no problem.

"Soon I'd like to start playing frequent matches with the Young Socceroos, too, probably midweek.

"This team isn't fully formed yet and, naturally, isn't blended, so a number of friendly matches for next year would be helpful."

Gutendorf said he was disappointed that he couldn't arrange any matches for Australia in Germany during the November-December tour.

"We could have played against the national amateur team but I declined," he said.

"I feel we should only play full national teams. I think it's an insult to field the Socceroos against the reserve sides of European clubs.

"I am confident that we'll have a good tour."

He scoffed at recent suggestions that the Philips League be scrapped.

"We should be delighted to have a strong PSL," he said. "Every country's national team is only as strong as its national league.

"At last, Australia has a good league so why even think of disbanding it?"

Gutendorf.

SPARKLING SAINTS

The St.George Under-14 team which won its division in the NSW Youth League, chalked up 29 wins — and last weekend won the final, too. The team, back row, from left: S. Zantides, D. Mitchell, P. Petkovski, E. Ganano, T. Danaskas, J. Biscaya, D. Wilcox, B. Heap; front row: R. Fong, J. Spirovski, A. Falladosa, L. Notaras, P. Darlington, P. Rickoy. The team was coached by J. Hedison and managed by R. Patman.

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WORLD CUP

Book now and don't leave it to the last minute — that's the advice of Inca Sol Travel for the 1982 World Cup finals in Spain.

Managing Director Antonio Nava said this week that the response in the last two weeks was remarkable.

"We have only a limited set of match tickets from Madrid," he warned.

"People who have paid their $300 deposit will naturally get priority over those who have merely sent in coupons or telephoned," he said.

The latest news from Spain is that Oviedo may be replaced as a World Cup city by San Sebastian.

Oviedo's civic fathers are reluctant to pay for the modernisation of the stadium and San Sebastian is happy to take over.

PSL MATCH:

MARCONI	**2(1)**
SYDNEY CITY	**0**

Goals: 1-0 Jankovics (21m), 2-0 Krncevic (92m).

MARCONI: Maher 4, Brogan 4, Prskalo 4, **Henderson 5**, Cant 4, Byrne 4, Raskopoulos 3, Mariani 3, Jankovics 3, Krncevic 4, **Sharne 5. Coach:** L. Scheinflug.

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 3, Mullen 3 (Souness 67m), Thomson 4 (Spanos 85m), O'Connor 4, Bruce 4, Stevenson 3, Watson 3, Barnes 3, Boden 3, Trenter 3, Silva 3. **Coach:** E. Thomson.

Referee: D. Campbell (SA); **crowd:** 5,200; **cautions:** Mullen, Thomson, Stevenson, Trenter; Prskalo, Sharne.

If you are willing to overlook the savage, often brutal tackling and tepid refereeing, I guess this could be described as a fast, exciting and close contest — but certainly no great match.

Adelaide referee Don Campbell's slack control swept this game within inches of mayhem; it had all the sophistry and artistry of a tank battle where only ultimate victory justifies the means of the conqueror and nothing consoles the vanquished.

It's possible to pinpoint where things started to go wrong: Mark Trenter's hair-raising charges at the goalie and the cynical hackings of Peter Sharne made the canneloni boil even in the coolest of Marconi fans.

From then on it was a match of skirmishes and explosions with repeated scenes of players jostling and shoving in clusters like disturbed bees.

The irate Marconi fans, anguished over Sharne's repeated "treatment," were slightly placated with the first goal, a stunningly executed piece of soccer genius.

Sharne sent in a perfect cross and there was Mark Jankovics, soaring through the air like a daredevil trapeze artist, to crash a header under the bar.

The second half, appropriately enough, started to the accompaniment of some dirge music from the PA system which, for five minutes, its operator forgot to switch off.

The fouls, late tackles, jostles, sly kicks and angry feet over the ball continued with the busy Campbell handing out cautions like a visiting Japanese salesman would dish out call cards.

Had he sent off a chief offender early in the piece, we might have been lucky to see more entertainment and less tribal head-hunting.

For almost the entire second half the pattern remained the same: Sydney City, using their higher degree of efficiency, were pushing forward while Marconi were allowed to play their natural counter-attacking game.

From one such break Jankovics should have scored in the 59th minute but, inexplicably, shot weakly and wide when facing only Clarke.

In the 75th minute, with all eyes on a high ball in the Marconi goalmouth, Krncevic dragged down O'Connor as he was about to jump — but Campbell remained unimpressed.

A minute later Stevenson's volley was tipped over the bar by Maher, now definitely back at his 1977 best.

Even in the 89th minute the Slickers could have rescued a point: Watson's sharp, low cross blazed across the goalmouth but Trenter, by now a fatigued, enervated victim of his own war of atrition, failed to connect.

Then, the long expected counter-punch arrived: Sharne, still somehow, miraculously in one piece, darted off on the wing and his cross was calmly lifted over Clarke's head by an exuberant Krncevic.

With that the fierce battle ended, victory going to the team which was not only more sinned against but also the one which played its own brand of game better.

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STATE LEAGUE

GRADE 1

	W	D	L	F	A	P
Melita	17	1	3	35	11	35
Olympic	16	2	3	47	17	34
Auburn	12	4	5	31	23	28
Canterbury	9	5	8	30	31	23
Croatia	8	5	6	35	24	21
Nth. Sydney	8	3	9	33	28	19
Avala	7	5	8	20	26	19
Arncliffe	7	4	9	32	34	18
Monaro	5	7	8	23	22	17
Sutherland	6	5	8	23	23	17
Bankstown	7	1	12	25	36	15
Manly	5	3	12	22	33	13
Parramatta	5	3	14	22	59	13
Ku-ring-gai	4	4	11	23	34	12

GRADE 2

Canterbury	13	4	6	31	14	30
Croatia	9	8	2	25	17	26
Ku-ring-gai	11	3	5	31	15	25
Avala	10	5	5	30	21	25
Olympic	10	3	7	33	19	23
Sutherland	8	7	4	28	17	23
Melita	8	7	5	35	25	23
Auburn	9	5	7	22	21	23
Bankstown	8	3	8	24	34	19
Arncliffe	4	6	10	26	35	14
Manly	5	4	11	18	27	14
Parramatta	4	5	12	16	28	13
Nth. Sydney	3	5	12	14	38	11
Monaro	2	5	11	14	36	9

GRADE 3

Auburn	15	4	—	42	6	34
Sutherland	12	8	1	42	10	28
Ku-ring-gai	10	8	2	43	21	26
Bankstown	8	8	2	36	17	24
Arncliffe	7	8	3	34	25	22
Canterbury	6	8	6	33	28	20
Melita	6	6	6	21	23	18
Olympic	7	3	9	19	25	17
Manly	7	2	9	27	27	16
Parramatta	5	5	8	21	36	15
Croatia	2	5	10	24	45	9
Nth.Sydney	1	2	15	11	42	4
Avala	1	1	17	12	60	3

DIVISION 1

GRADE 1

Marconi	14	4	3	45	19	32
Blacktown City	11	8	4	47	28	30
St.George	12	4	4	54	25	28
Leichhardt	10	7	6	46	36	27
Bathurst	11	5	6	34	28	27
Wollongong	10	6	5	39	20	26
Polonia	9	7	6	44	32	25
Revesby	9	7	7	36	42	25
Uni NSW	9	5	8	35	27	23
Sydney City	8	5	9	41	36	21
Blackt.Utd.	6	6	10	20	33	18
Yugal	5	8	9	24	39	18
Belmore	4	3	14	20	45	11
Penrith	4	3	14	17	47	11
Warringah	1	4	16	15	59	6

GRADE 2

St. George	15	5	1	52	14	35
Sydney City	15	4	2	64	17	34
Blackt.City	14	4	5	54	34	32
Leichhardt	13	4	5	37	17	30
Wollongong	12	5	5	51	30	29
Revesby	11	5	7	42	29	27
Blackt.Utd.	10	3	7	30	23	23
Uni NSW	9	1	12	22	43	19
Warringah	6	5	12	23	35	17
Penrith	7	2	12	23	35	16
Polonia	5	6	9	24	37	16
Marconi	6	3	12	21	31	15
Bathurst	4	4	14	18	48	12
Yugal	2	5	13	18	43	9
Belmore	2	4	15	19	57	8

GRADE 3

St.George	18	1	2	106	15	37
Sydney City	15	3	3	66	20	33
Blackt.City	14	4	5	75	27	32
Marconi	13	3	4	56	22	29
Belmore	13	3	5	34	16	29
Leichhardt	11	7	3	34	16	29
Wollongong	10	2	10	45	42	22
Blackt.Utd.	9	4	8	32	37	22
Revesby	8	6	9	38	52	22
Polonia	8	1	11	38	40	17
Penrith	6	4	11	32	52	16
Yugal	4	3	13	21	74	11
Uni NSW	4	1	16	24	78	9
Warringah	3	2	18	26	50	8
Bathurst	1	2	19	18	110	4

DIVISION 2

GRADE 1

Guildford	13	5	1	40	16	31
North Bankstown	11	5	3	44	21	27
Glad.Ravens	11	5	3	31	14	27
Yagoona	10	3	5	23	19	23
Lethbridge	8	4	7	32	22	20
Campbelltown	6	7	6	21	20	19
Queens Park	6	6	7	24	26	18
Dee Why	6	4	9	11	21	16
Baulkham Hills	6	3	9	30	35	15
Glad.Hornsby	5	3	10	19	30	13
Lane Cove	2	4	13	17	39	8
Marrickville	1	5	12	18	45	7

GRADE 2

Glad.Ravens	15	3	—	47	8	35
Lethbridge	12	3	4	40	23	27
Guildford County	9	7	3	49	21	25
Campbelltown	8	8	3	29	16	24
Nth.Bankstown	8	4	7	23	21	20
Baulkham Hills	8	3	7	34	31	19
Glad.Hornsby	6	6	6	29	33	18
Dee Why	5	4	9	26	34	14
Yagoona	5	3	10	28	39	13
Queens Park	4	2	13	22	45	10
Lane Cove	3	3	13	18	39	9
Marrickville	2	4	11	14	49	8

GRADE 3

North Bankstown	15	1	3	63	10	31
Glad.Ravens	14	2	3	57	21	30
Guildford	13	4	2	58	23	30
Glad.Hornsby	12	2	4	38	16	26
Marrickville	10	3	4	45	21	23
Baulkham Hills	6	7	5	28	22	19
Campbelltown	8	1	10	27	34	17
Lethbridge	7	3	9	17	37	17
Dee Why	3	2	13	9	26	8
Lane Cove	3	2	14	15	54	8
Yagoona	3	2	13	13	58	8
Queens Park	1	3	15	10	58	5

DIVISION 3

GRADE 1

North Ryde	11	5	3	34	21	27
Riverstone	12	2	5	35	23	26
Kingsford	11	3	4	33	22	25
Liverpool	10	5	3	27	18	25
Bondi	8	7	4	33	21	23
Bonnyrigg	11	—	8	36	29	22
Wenty	7	5	7	30	27	19
Sydney Uni	5	5	9	20	31	15
Artarmon	4	6	9	22	25	14
Hurstville	6	1	12	32	36	13
Port Hacking	4	3	12	20	38	11
West Ryde	1	4	14	24	55	6

GRADE 2

Bondi	14	3	2	35	11	31
Liverpool	13	4	1	41	12	30
Kingsford	11	3	4	42	19	25
Artarmon	10	4	5	49	39	24
North Ryde	8	4	7	35	22	20
Wenty	7	5	7	22	26	19
Bonnyrigg	7	4	8	38	29	18
Riverstone	7	3	9	27	35	17
Sydney Uni	6	3	10	28	32	15
Port Hacking	5	4	10	25	30	14
West Ryde	2	3	14	18	63	7
Hurstville	1	4	14	24	66	6

DIVISION 4

GRADE 1

Padstow	12	1	4	46	18	25
Eastern Creek	10	5	2	35	13	25
Paddington	10	5	2	24	18	25
Fairfield Kiev	7	8	2	27	14	22
Eastwood	10	1	6	33	24	21
Ryde Dist.	7	2	8	29	36	16
Canley Heights	6	3	9	30	36	15
West Holroyd	4	7	7	27	36	15
Revesby	3	6	6	19	28	14
Chelsea	2	2	12	10	31	6
Maroubra	2	1	15	19	47	5

GRADE 2

Eastern Creek	14	3	—	47	6	31
Padstow	11	4	2	40	22	26
Canley Heights	11	1	6	45	30	23
Fairfield Kiev	7	8	2	39	29	22
Eastwood	7	6	4	35	20	20
West Holroyd	7	4	7	29	26	18
Paddington	3	8	6	15	23	14
Ryde Dist.	4	4	9	16	44	12
Revesby	3	4	10	31	32	10
Maroubra	1	6	11	12	44	8
Chelsea	1	4	12	17	50	6

DIVISION 5

GRADE 1

Concordia	12	3	2	46	14	27
Fairfield	9	7	3	31	19	25
Winston Hills	8	8	3	40	30	24
North Rocks	8	6	5	40	25	22
West St.George	8	5	5	32	25	21
Maccabi	7	6	6	35	27	20
Pagewood	6	6	5	30	38	18
Camden	7	4	8	29	36	18
Macquarie	7	3	9	33	27	17
Edensor	6	5	8	32	36	17
Haberfield	3	4	12	22	43	10
Auburn	1	3	15	17	64	5

GRADE 2

West St.George	16	1	2	55	18	33
Winston Hills	14	2	3	51	19	30
Camden	13	3	3	52	18	29
Macquarie	12	3	4	48	25	27
Fairfield	11	4	4	41	18	26
North Rocks	10	3	6	42	17	23
Maccabi	9	2	8	31	22	20
Concordia	4	2	12	22	39	10
Edensor	4	2	13	26	54	10
Pagewood	2	3	13	15	57	7
Auburn	14	4	14	11	56	6
Haberfield	2	1	16	19	60	5

DIVISION 6

GRADE 1

Glenquarrie	13	3	3	52	60	29
Moorebank	13	3	3	56	21	29
Hawkesbury	11	4	4	37	15	26
Chullora	9	6	4	43	20	24
Blacktown	10	3	6	45	29	23
Green Valley	9	4	6	33	21	22
Liverpool City	9	4	6	26	19	22
Liverpool Utd.	8	3	8	30	34	19
Liverpool Rang.	6	5	8	20	35	17
Bankstown	3	3	13	21	65	9
Mt.Pritchard	1	2	16	15	53	4
Sth.Sydney	1	2	16	19	71	4

GRADE 2

Moorebank	16	5	1	71	12	33
Liverpool City	15	3	1	53	15	33
Glenquarrie	12	5	2	60	20	29
Hawkesbury	11	3	5	55	20	24
Blacktown	8	6	5	27	31	22
Chullora	9	3	7	45	22	21
Green Valley	8	3	8	38	25	19
Liverpool Rang.	6	3	10	23	25	15
Liverpool Utd.	5	4	10	34	45	14
Mt. Pritchard	4	—	15	19	53	8
Bankstown Sp.	3	2	14	18	70	8
Sth. Sydney	—	1	18	8	112	1

NSW STATE LEAGUE

Crowded round

— By Paul James —

This weekend's crowded round of postponed games from round 25 has produced one of the craziest situations for many a long year in the State League.

On Saturday August 16, North Sydney will play Monaro in their round 2 match postponed from earlier this year.

The next day the two sides will front up again and play each other once more in the round 25 match.

At least both clashes will be played in Queanbeyan, so eliminating travel problems.

If Norths continue to play as they have in recent weeks they should have the edge over Monaro, but the Queanbeyanites have also been picking up points.

We tip a draw in the first match and a win to whichever side is the fitter in the second.

Let's just hope the fans can see some humour in the situation and go along to watch both matches.

The weekend should also make or break Croatia's chances of top four aspirations this year.

They play twice, against Avala on Saturday and against Manly on Sunday, both at King Tomislav.

With three games in hand over Canterbury and only four points separating the two sides, it seems likely the champions' chances of capturing that fourth spot are improving.

However, against Avala they face a tough barrier.

Although Avala have no chance of getting any honours this year they would love nothing better than to ruin Croatia's chances.

We feel Croatia should be too powerful in attack and defence.

Sutherland and Bankstown meet in a postponed round 10 game, with things starting to look black for Bankstown.

While both Manly and Parramatta are below them, they can't afford to drop too many points as the gap is not all that great.

Sutherland have had a most disappointing season and while they have blooded some youngsters in the team, it appears they have not been able to get the same unity as the sides of the past three years.

Sydney Olympic have the chance to keep in touch with Melita and at the same time kill off Canterbury's chances of the Top Four this year when they play Canterbury at Pratten on Sunday.

Olympic was surprised by Parramatta's tenacity last week, but still managed a comfortable win.

Canterbury, on the other hand, suffered yet another defeat to third placed Auburn.

Canterbury's team has had its flashes of brilliance but Olympic's consistent high standard should win through.

On Sunday Melita face Arncliffe and should win without much trouble.

The Eagles can sense the title is within distance and it is doubtful whether at this stage their coach Atti Abonyi will allow his side to become complacent.

Arncliffe's up and down form has resulted in some surprise results.

Their attack has seemed a little predictable recently and Melita shouldn't have too much trouble winning here.

Other matches to be played on Sunday include the Auburn v Ku-ring-gai match.

Auburn's position in the top four is unchallenged and rightly so.

They are a powerful side in nearly every department, with perhaps only their attack lacking a measure of directness.

Ku-ring-gai's relegation fears are growing weekly and they can have little hope of taking a point away from this game.

Sutherland takes on Parramatta and should win.

They have speed and a fair share of experience while Parramatta's morale is low.

Avala should have little trouble taking on Bankstown.

The Bankstown side has virtually fallen apart since the start of the season and is now concentrating on avoiding the drop and learning for next year.

In their remaining match Croatia play Manly and we tip a good win for the premiers.

SUTHERLAND v CROATIA 2-3(2-2)

Like nearly every encounter between these two teams in the past years there was again plenty of action and controversy in this match.

Within the first 30 minutes we had an almost endless stream of incidents.

In the 11th minute Culina put Croatia 1-0 up and Craig Holman got himself sent off for arguing with Peter Rampley about the goal.

A minute later Sutherland went 2-0 down and their task looked hopeless.

But somehow the 10-man Sharks came back and in the 22nd and 24th minutes Steve Meades brought off a remarkable recovery by scoring twice.

In the process though Croatia goalie Steve Watson went off injured.

However, the Sutherland side wilted and despite a good period in the second half, had little left in reserve to counter a determined Croatia.

SUTHERLAND: Haynes 3, Hesford 3, R. Schumann 4, Groome 4, Holman 1 (sent off), K. Schumann 3, Meades 4, Rogers 3, (Harrington 80m), Bush 3, Dal Forno 3, Watkins 3.

CROATIA: Watson (Terziowski 22m, 3), A. Kovacic 3, Vidaic 3, Basic 4, Gruicic 4, Culina 4, Dudaric 3, Savor 3, M. Kovacic 4, Kafka 3, Sullivan 3.
Goals: 0-1 Culina (11m), 0-2 M. Kovacic (13m), 1-2 Meades (22m), 2-2 Meades (24m), 2-3 Culina (69m).
Referee: P. Rampley; **crowd:** 1,791; **sent off:** Holman.

— E. De Lar Sceri

AVALA v MANLY 1-1(0-0)

Manly stacked their defence for most of the game and relied on quick breakaways to hit Avala.

Avala lacked ideas on how to break through and were eventually caught pushing too many players forward.

In the 63rd minute a fast attack down the right saw a cross from Vale fly in front of Ahrens and Fox was on hand to whack it home.

It only took Avala 10 minutes to retaliate though when Tilt poked the ball home after Dower couldn't hold a shot.

In the last quarter of an hour it was Manly which started to look stronger but they, too, ran out of attacking ideas and the teams settled for a point a piece.

AVALA: Ahrens 4, Brown 4, Deller 3, Barton 3, Pilovski 3, Bateman 3 (Tilt 57m), Nitya 2, Czolnowski 4, Kodor 3, Rodic 3 (Zalewski 74m), Karanfilovski 1 (sent off).

MANLY: Dower 4, Burchett 5, Doyle 3, Emery 3, Townsend 3, Hardaker 3, Gilmore 3, Jack 3, C. Vale 3, Fox 3, Stuart 3.
Goals: 0-1 Fox (63m), 1-1 Tilt (73m).
Referee: H. Witschge; **crowd:** 575; **sent off:** Karanfilovski.

— E. Morrison

AUBURN v CANTERBURY 2-1(0-0)

Auburn edged out Canterbury in the battle for third place and now seem certain to retain the spot till the end of the season.

However, they almost conceded a sixth minute goal when Ross Brown pounced onto a careless back-pass by Martinez.

After a goalless first half Auburn used the flanks to great effect.

McDonald and McMillan again combined well but up front it was Martinez who created the gaps.

In the 64th minute he set up Ross to score the first goal, then made it 2-0 when he scored from six metres after some good lead up work by McCulloch.

Canterbury pulled one goal back through Basterfield when he beat a resitant defence and scored from close range.

AUBURN: Gisbourne 3, McCoy 4, Fairclough 3, Dobson 3, McMillan 4, McDonald 4, Quigley 3, McCulloch 3, McCrannor 3, (Bertram 80m), Martinez 4 (Gibson 86m), Ross 4.

CANTERBURY: McPherson 3, G. Brown 3, Sheldrick 3, Penman 4, Barboutis 3, Bytes 4, Williams 4, Basterfield 3, R. Brown 3, Hall 3, (Thomson 70m), Ramisch 2 (Thamnides 45m).
Goals: 1-0 Ross (64m), 2-0 Martinez (79m), 2-1 Basterfield (80m).
Referee: B. Fowler; **crowd:** 250.

— G. Streeter

ARNCLIFFE v NORTH SYDNEY 1-3(0-1)

North Sydney wrecked Arncliffe's slim hopes of a top four place with a marvellous display of enterprising soccer.

The North Sydney lads sparred with Arncliffe for 20 minutes but then a spectacular goal from Mick Dale swung the game to Norths.

A perfect dummy run by Wilson let the ball roll nicely for Dale who sent a wicked 30-metre shot screaming past Hoszowski.

Arncliffe failed to muster any enthusiasm in attack and only Ainslie and Tracey pushed forward.

In the second half Norths once more looked the more menacing side.

In the 65th minute a freekick by Walter was misjudged by Scots keeper Hoszowski who ran under the ball allowing it to sail into the net.

The third goal from Alex Bottalico was a fine individualist goal: he sidestepped his shot well wide of Hoszowski.

Arncliffe replied late in the match through substitute Hooper.

ARNCLIFFE: Hoszowski 2, Barton 3, Oldham 3, Doyle 3, Ainslie 4, Lee 3, Wignall 2, Bulloch 3, Leak 2, Tracey 3, Hooper 3.

NORTH SYDNEY: Tilsed 3, Walker 3, O'Rourke 3, J. Bottalico 3, Mattheson 5, Foster 3, Leyden 4, Dale 4, R. Youssel 4, (Mitchell 75m), A. Bottalico 4, Wilson 3.
Goals: 0-1 Dale (20m), 0-2 Walker (65m), 0-3 A. Bottalico (78m), 1-3 Hooper (89m).
Referee: B. Wilkinson; **crowd:** 300.

— M. Renwick

OLYMPIC v PARRAMATTA 4-1(1-1)

Reduced to 10 men as early as the 12th minute when referee Nelmes sent off Fisher for allegedly kicking Andy Scott, lowly Parramatta fought desperately to hold title-chasing Olympic.

But in the final 15 minutes they were crushed by the sheer power of an impressive Olympic team.

Olympic took the lead in the 29th minute when a Housseini corner was put away by Rowden.

Parramatta were stunningly level seven minutes later when Lackey converted a penalty after Strickland had been tripped in the box.

From then on, especially in the second half, it was all one way traffic.

Olympic, however, seemed intent on giving a display on how not to score goals, including a missed penalty which Housseini ballooned over the bar.

Not until the 75th minute did Olympic score again when Rowden managed to head a Housseini corner past Donovan.

Five minutes later Laing made it 3-1 and then Hensman added the fourth.

OLYMPIC: Meier 3, Ankudinoff 4, Palmer 3, Wilson 3, Rowden 4, Cross 4, Laing 4, Smith 3, Zeros 2 (Hensman 45m), Scott 3, Housseini 4.

PARRAMATTA: Donovan 3, McKenzie 3, Hines 4, Lackey 4, Bates 3, Forwood 4, Fisher 1 (sent off), Roden 2, Strickland 2, Mitchell 3, Brizuela 4.
Goals: 1-0 Rowden (29m), 1-1 Lackey (pen.36m), 2-1 Rowden (75m), 3-1 Laing (80m), 4-1 Hensman (89m).
Referee: R. Nelmes; **crowd:** 1,575; **caution:** Brizuela; **sent off:** Fisher.

— E. De Mesquita

MELITA v KU-RING-GAI 2-0(2-0)

Melita Eagles had too much power for Ku-ring-gai and the score of only two goals probably flatters the bottom placed club.

With Ray Farrugia dictating midfield and Don Allan in his best form up front Ku-ring-gai were in trouble right from the first kick.

To add to their troubles, they lost central stopper Jim Magill who, in a tussle with Allan, fell head first onto the ground 10 minutes after the start and eventually finished up in hospital with suspected concussion.

For a period of about 10 minutes Ku-ring-gai played with 10 men while Magill was getting treatment and in this period Melita opened the scoring when Allan weaved his way through with a long ball from Farrugia.

Within three minutes Allan made it safe when he headed home a rebound off goalkeeper Peter Antman who pushed the ball straight to him after saving a sizzling drive from Wayne Parker.

After the break Melita relaxed, but even so the forwards missed several sitters and Peter Antman made some incredible saves to keep the score respectable.

MELITA: Greedy 4, Berry 4, McDonald, Darvill, Mikas 4, Juchniewicz 3, W. Parker 3 (Cabon 83m), Farrugia 4, Allan 4, Stoddart 4, Parker 3.

KURINGAI: Antman 4, Wheatley 3, Geekie 3, Robertson 4, Magill 3 (Martin 24m), Noble 3, Smith 3, Lavin 3, Hunter 2, (Jones 63m), Herron 2, Worthington 2.

Goals: 1-0 Allan (18m), 2-0 Allan (21m).

Referee: A. Owens; **crowd:** 2,260.

— C. Spiteri

MONARO v BANKSTOWN 2-1(1-1)

Two brilliantly taken goals by Ian Heywood gave Monaro a 2-1 win over Bankstown and moved them well clear of the relegation zone.

Heywood was unlucky not to get at least another goal.

His tricky footwork and aggressive running with the ball had Bankstown in tatters for much of the game.

Bankstown couldn't take advantage of the wind at their backs and went 1-0 down after 32 minutes when Heywood cracked home a John Santolin cross.

Peck brought his side back on level terms when he was given room to move into the area and his shot eluded Antonopoulos.

But after the break the nippy Heywood regained the lead for Monaro and was denied his hat-trick by a spectacular save by Lachowicz.

MONARO: Antonopoulos 4, Crawford 3, O'Neil 3, Noble 3, Santolin 4, Falzon 4, Arquero 4, Valeri 4, Link 4, Heywood 4, Reis 4 (Trajanoski 63m).

BANKSTOWN: Lachowicz 4, Beveridge 3, Rea 3, Van Bruinessen 3, Lynch 3, Peck 4, Williams 4, King 3, Lembryk 3, Daley 3 (Wilks 75m), Fergusson 3.
Goals: 1-0 Heywood (32m), 1-1 Peck (43m), 2-1 Heywood (50m).
Referee: V. Celestino; **crowd:** 680; **caution:** Noble, Falzon, Lynch.

— J. Chiera

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Thursday, August 14

St.George v Wollongong Barton Park

AUGUST 16-17

CROATIA	V AVALA	KING TOMISLAV(RD 21)
NORTH SYD.	V MONARO	MARCO POLO (RD 2)
SUTHERLAND	V BANKSTOWN	SEYMOUR SHAW(Rd.10)

AUGUST 17

MONARO	V NORTH SYD.	MARCO POLO (Rd.25)
OLYMPIC	V CANTERBURY	PRATTEN PARK (Rd.25)
AVALA	V BANKSTOWN	KNIGHT PRK.(Rd.25)
SUTHERLAND	V PARRAMATTA	SEYMOUR SHAW(Rd.25)
CROATIA	V MANLY	KING TOMISLAV(Rd.25)
AUBURN	V KURINGAI	MONA PARK (Rd.25)
MELITA	V ARNCLIFFE	GARSIDE PARK (Rd.25)

Revesby Work.	v Uni of NSW	Sat., Milperra Reserve
Polonia	v Leichhardt	Sun., Chopin Park
Penrith Utd.	v Blacktown City	Sun., Cook Park
S.S.C. Yugal	v Wollongong	Sun., Concord Oval
Bathurst '75	v Blacktown Utd.	Sat., Bathurst Show Gr
Warringah	v Belmore	Sat., Narrabeen
Marconi	v St.George	Sat., Marconi Oval
Wollongong	v Sydney City	Sat., Berkeley

NEXT WEEK

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23

NTH. SYDNEY	V MANLY	NORTH SYDNEY
ARNCLIFFE	V SUTHERLAND	HURSTVILLE
KU-RING-GAI	V CROATIA	PARKLANDS

Saturday, August 23

Yugal	v Polonia	Concord
Bathurst	v Penrith	Bathurst
Warringah	v Sydney City	Narrabeen
Marconi	v Blacktown City	Marconi
St.George	v Leichhardt	Barton Park
Belmore	v Uni N.S.W.	Blick Oval
Blacktown Utd.	v Wollongong	Francis Park

WORLD NEWS

AMERICAN DREAM HAS SOME FLAWS

*— From Lou Gautier**

Dismal, dipping attendances in several North American Soccer League cities this season may result in major changes next year when several teams could relocate or just fold altogether.

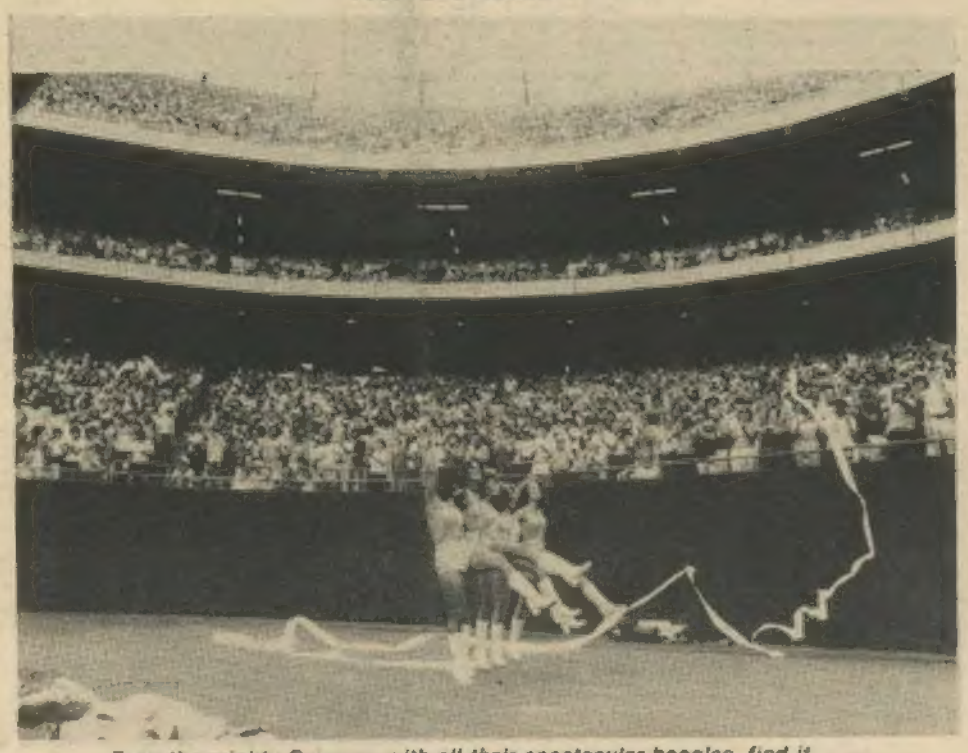
The NASL has been relatively stable over the past two years, with only two relocations since 1978 — Oakland to Edmonton and Denver to Atlanta — but it is now apparent that professional soccer's momentum has come to a screeching halt.

Crowds are down almost everywhere, including Giants Stadium where the Cosmos, still the glamor team of the league, are struggling to hold on to their fickle hard-to-please fans despite a team every bit as strong as last year's.

True, there are some honorable exceptions like Tulsa, Toronto, Fort Lauderdale, Seattle, Portland, Tampa, Vancouver and Washington (mainly because of a crowd of 53,351 against the Cosmos), but most other franchises are reporting an alarming dip in attendance at the halfway mark of the season.

Even if crowds improve before the playoffs, some of the problems confronting several troubled franchises won't go away and the fate of some of them is at best, uncertain.

The two Los Angeles teams, the Surf and the Aztecs, have been playing in near-empty stadiums and have generated little coverage in their local media.



Even the mighty Cosmos, with all their spectacular hooplas, find it hard to cling to their crowd support.

There are persistent rumors that the financially ailing Surf may be St.Louis-bound — again.

You will recall that the franchise originated there as the St. Louis Stars before moving to Orange County to seek fame and fortune in California. Neither objective was achieved...

Club officials are said to be hankering again for St. Louis on the premise that the major indoor Soccer League's Steamers averaged more than 14,000 per home game there last winter.

The Aztecs, under new management that promised plenty but delivered precious little, will probably still be around next year, but they are very much a team without any direction, uncertain where its orientation lies.

Los Angeles, it seems to me, is just not a town conducive to pro soccer despite the thousands of kids who play the game in the area.

Los Angeles is a city of sports participants, not spectators.

The Minnesota Kicks have fallen on hard times. The team's catastrophic record in the early rounds cut heavily into attendances, so much so that rumor has it that the franchise is for sale!

Should that occur, the NASL's credibility will have been dealt a cruel blow, Minnesota having been held up as a model franchise.

Another NASL stalwart, Dallas, is also in deep trouble, the move from Ownby to Texas Stadium has been anything but successful.

Crowds have plummetted and one wonders how long millionaire owner Lamar Hunt will put up with a losing proposition.

The Philadelphia Fury to all intents and purposes is dead.

The franchise has been bought by Canada's Molson Brewery and the team will play in Montreal next year.

The Rochester Lancers are in the throes of an internal dispute between the owners.

One predictable outcome: no matter who wins, the franchise will relocate and the NASL won't have Rochester to kick around any more.

Chances are that the New England Tea Men won't be around next year either.

Boston is another major market which, apparently, can't successfully package and sell pro soccer, unlike San Jose which can still attract near sell-out crowds to watch the Earthquakes despite their horrid three-year record.

It is clear that soccer's professional boom has stopped, at least for the moment.

The ball is now in the NASL's court.

★Lou Gautier is the editor of the Los Angeles-based "Soccer Corner" magazine.

Franz Beckenbauer, soon to leave New York for his native Germany.

OVERSEAS BRIEFS

• New FIFA members: Angola, Mozambique, Oman and South Yeman. Zimbabwe (formerly Rhodesia) had its suspension quashed.

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• It's been leaked that Argentina will play at Alicante and Spain at Valencia in the elimination groups of the 1982 World Cup finals.

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• "This mob will never win the Olympic title," said Denmark's coach Johan Piontek of the USSR after the Danes' 2-0 loss. The USSR came third...

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• Austrian coach Hermann Stessl, formerly with FK Austria then for a while in Greece, has signed for the Portuguese FC Porto.

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• Brazil's Flamengo has refused a $1,500,000 offer from AS Roma for Zico. "Even twice that sum wouldn't buy him," said club president Marcio Braga.

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• Torino, Inter, Como and Napoli are the four Italian clubs who have official sponsors now. The idea is spreading rapidly.

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• Maltese national team goalie John Bonello has signed for second division German club Herford.

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• Kevin Beattie, former England midfielder, may be forced to retire from the game with his chronic knee injury.

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• Dortmund and Stuttgart of West Germany are the keen rivals for the signature of Czechoslovak national team stopper Anton Ondrus.

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• Inter Milan are not interested in Cruyff. "He's too old and too expensive," says manager Beltrami. "Ten years ago we would have crawled to sign him. Now, at 33 and half fit, he's not worth the $2,500,000."

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• Rapid of Vienna has signed former Czech international Vesely — who is 37.

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• Ex-England manager Don Revie's daughter, Kim, is a budding pop star with her latest record: "It's come back again." Surely it's not about dad taking over from Greenwood?

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• Peter Brine, former Middlesbrough striker, is about to take over the coaching of a Tasmanian club.

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• Former England goalie Ray Wood, now coaching in the United Arab Emirates, is keen to return home. He has been roaming the world since 1968 and had jobs in the USA, Cyprus, Greece, Kuwait and Kenya.

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• Helenio Herrera's opinion of Kevin Keegan: "A great soccer brain but not strong enough to survive in Spanish soccer."

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• Liam Brady's transfer fee from Arsenal to Juventus was "only" $1,250,000 — because of a ceiling which exists among the nine ECC countries. Arsenal aren't too happy: they would have collected about $3,000,000 from Manchester United. But Brady is satisfied: he will earn $200,000 a season until the end of 1983.

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• For the first training session under new coach and former club hero Ladislao Kubala, Barcelona attracted 20,000 spectators. "This kind of passion exists only in Spain," commented Barcelona's little Dane, Alan Simonsen.

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• Liverpool star Ray Kennedy is keen to change clubs — and may join Sunderland either now or in a year's time.

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• Manchester United's new chairman Martin Edwards has resigned from his family's meat company to devote more time to the club and may be appointed the first ever paid director in the English first division.

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